

Council Substitute for House Bill No. 1-C

An act relating to property taxes; amending s. 200.185, F.S.; changing the time a municipality must have been in a state of financial emergency to be considered a municipality of special financial concern; providing for calculating maximum millage rates for 2008-2009 fiscal year for certain municipalities; providing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Section 1. Paragraph (b) of subsection (1) of section 200.185, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

200.185 Maximum millage rates for the 2007-2008 and 2008-2009 fiscal years.—

(1) As used in this section, the term:

(b) “Municipality of special financial concern” means a municipality within a county of special financial concern or a municipality that has been at any time since June 30, 2002, ~~2001~~ in a state of financial emergency pursuant to s. 218.503.

Section 2. For purposes of determining maximum millage rates for the 2008-2009 fiscal year pursuant to s. 200.185(5)(a), Florida Statutes, or s. 200.186(1)(a), Florida Statutes, a municipality that, as a result of the application of the amendment to s. 200.185(1)(b), Florida Statutes, made by section 1, is no longer considered a municipality of special financial concern under s. 200.185, Florida Statutes, shall be treated as if the municipality had never been a municipality of special financial concern.

Section 3. This act shall take effect November 1, 2007.

Approved by the Governor October 11, 2007.

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